[Service Date April 22, 2008] BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND) DOCKET UT-061777
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,)
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Complainant,)
) NOTICE OF HEARING ON
V.) PROPOSED SETTLEMENT
) AGREEMENT
VERIZON NORTHWEST INC.,) (Set for May 7, 2008, 1:30 p.m.)
)
Respondent.)
)

- I On November 22, 2006, Verizon Northwest Inc. (Verizon) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) agreements related to the spin-off by Verizon Communications Inc. (Verizon Communications) of its domestic print and Internet directory business. Verizon Communications spun off the directory business, formerly operated by Verizon Information Services and its subsidiaries, to Verizon Communications shareholders to form the independent company Idearc Media Corp (Idearc).¹ Commission Staff initiated an investigation into the matter, opening Docket UT-061777.
- Following discussions regarding the impact of the spin-off on Verizon's retail rates, on April 14, 2008, Commission Staff, Verizon, Public Counsel, the Washington Electronic Business and Telecommunications Coalition, and the United States Department of Defense and all other Federal Executive Agencies filed with the Commission a Settlement Agreement concerning the regulatory treatment in the state of Washington on the impact on Verizon of the spin-off by Verizon Communications of its directory business. The proposed settlement agreement will be presented to the Commission at a hearing in which the Commission may inquire of the parties about the provisions of the settlement agreement.

¹ The Commission opened Docket UT-061777 to commence an investigation in the matter.

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- 3 The Commission finds there is good cause to hear this matter on shortened notice. See WAC 480-07-440(1)(a).
- 4 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN That a hearing on the proposed settlement agreement will be held on May 7, 2008, at 1:30 p.m., in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Richard Hemstad Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. The purpose of the hearing is for the Commission to review whether the proposed settlement reached by the parties is in the public interest.
- 5 Administrative Law Judge Ann E. Rendahl from the Commission's Administrative Law Division will preside during this proceeding.
- 6 Notice of any other procedural phase will be given in writing or on the record, as the Commission may deem appropriate during the course of this proceeding.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective April 22, 2008.

WASHINGTON STATE UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN Executive Secretary

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If you need an interpreter, or have other special needs, please fill out this form and return it to Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission, Attention: Carole J. Washburn, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive SW, P. O. Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250. (<u>PLEASE SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION</u>)

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